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CITY OF LAKEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT *Breezes*



June 24, 2016

In partnership with the community, we are dedicated to reducing crime, problem solving and ensuring the quality of life in Lakeville.



SAVE THE DATE!

Police K-9 Demonstration
Thursday, July 07
11:00 am—12:00 pm
Antler's Park



Come out and watch the Lakeville Police Department Canine Handlers as they demonstrate agility, obedience, suspect search techniques, and criminal apprehension with their highly trained police dogs.



Random (Important!) Thoughts From the Chief

Over the past few weeks, there have been several topics I felt I should include in *Breezes*. However, many of the topics didn't necessarily warrant a full blog. Including them altogether accomplishes both goals.

- Over the last year, the deadliest road in Lakeville has been County Road 46 (160th Street). We have had three (3) fatalities on that road. Please drive carefully.
- Do you have any idea what is on your child's cellphone? We all want to trust our kids to use good judgement. However, over the last year, our officers have had numerous reports involving photos of nude minors being distributed on cell phones (both boys and girls commit this). In addition, we have recovered harassment of other community members, snapshots of school work used for cheating, and a variety of inappropriate videos made and distributed. One thing most parents and teens don't know is, sharing nude pictures of anyone under the age of 18 is considered distribution of child pornography and is investigated in that manner. The age of the individual sharing the child pornography doesn't matter. Distribution is distribution.
- Good people do bad things. This week we cited a number of juveniles who were throwing eggs from their moving car at other moving cars, including a squad car. The juveniles were all described by their parents as "good kids" who never do anything wrong. The kids obviously weren't thinking about the consequences of their actions. Their actions could have easily startled a driver and caused an accident. In a year in which we have seen tragedies on our roadways, these teens obviously did not think their actions through.

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- Good people do bad things - Part II. As an end of the year "prank", some high school students conducted a large bike parade which obstructed traffic during morning rush hour. We had many, many complaints. What those students failed to consider is, their "joke" caused people to miss important doctor appointments, others were late for work and risked being fired, and other students were caught up in traffic and late for school. The students that participated were, once again, described as "good kids". None of us were perfectly behaved growing up, so it's easy to understand these incidents. However, be sure to talk with your children about consequences. They can still have fun without interfering with others.
- There seems to be an increase in violence against police officers. Last weekend, an officer in Edina was attacked and assaulted after making a DUI arrest. Not long ago, a video came out of Brooklyn Park showing an officer being choked last winter. In the last month, we had one of our own officers struck in the head with a large landscaping rock and had another officer deal with a young man who refused to put a knife down while engaging the officer. These recent incidents in Lakeville continue a very chilling trend. Violence against police officers isn't just a 'big city' issue anymore.
- We have outstanding community support from our residents. A few of our officers visited the Hy-Vee grand opening. While there, people kept telling them how much they were appreciated and valued by Lakeville. We also get many "treats" dropped off at the office and plenty of 'thank you' letters. Lakeville is indeed a great place to be a police officer!
- Last, but not least, the 50th Annual Pan-O-Prog is coming up at the beginning of July. Pan-O-Prog is a wonderful event which brings us together as a community. Our K-9 Officers will have a demo with their dogs and a K-9 team will also lead the parade this year! Be sure to come out and join the fun!



LPD Stats, May 2016

Total Calls for Service:
3,960

Top Calls Included :
Accident Property Damage
Driving Complaint
Suspicious Person
Medical
Alarm Burglar
Theft

*On Tuesday, August 02, 6-9 pm,
Lakeville will celebrate National
Night Out. The community event is
designed to increase crime prevention
awareness, create support for anti-crime
efforts and strengthen neighborhoods.*

*To learn more, please visit Lakeville's
website at www.ci.lakeville.mn.us.*

